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TELEGRAM

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SUBJECT:

ACTION:

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FROM

AmEmbassy BUENOS AIRES

CLASSIFICATION

N/A
CASC, ASEC, PFOR, AR, US
Embassy Note on Patricia Erb Case

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██████████ BUENOS AIRES 6097

REF: Buenos Aires 6058

1. Following Note was presented to Foreign Ministry this evening (Sept 17).

No. 278
2. QUOTE /The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship of the Argentine Republic and has the honor to refer to the case of Patricia Ann Erb, an American citizen, who has been missing since being forceably taken from her home by unidentified men September 13. Although signs were left at the home to make it appear that the abductors were terrorists, conversations overheard by the family indicate the kidnappers were members of the security forces of the Government of Argentina.

The Embassy has verbally expressed its concern for

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CLEARANCES:

CONS: GHitchcock (in substance)
ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

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Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

☒ Release ☐ Excise ☐ Deny

Exemption(s):

Declassify: ☐ In Part ☒ In Full

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the safety and well-being of Miss Erb
to the Foreign Ministry on September 14 and again
on September 16 and takes this occasion to again
request the Argentine Government to assure the safety
and determine the whereabouts of Miss Erb.

The Embassy of the United States of America
takes this opportunity to renew to the Ministry
the assurances of its highest consideration. UNQUOTE

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